

AYNOR HIGH

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GRADES 7-12 High School

ENROLLMENT 865 Students

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THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

ANNUAL SCHOOL REPORT CARD

2003

ABSOLUTE RATING:

EXCELLENT

Absolute Ratings of High Schools with Students like Ours

Excellent

5

Good

13

Average

10

Below Average

3

Unsatisfactory

2

IMPROVEMENT RATING:

GOOD

ADEQUATE YEARLY PROGRESS:

N/A

SOUTH CAROLINA PERFORMANCE GOAL

By 2010, South Carolina's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the fastest improving systems in the country.

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PERFORMANCE TRENDS OVER 4-YEAR PERIOD

	Absolute Rating	Improvement Rating	Adequate Yearly Progress
2001	Average	Unsatisfactory	N/A
2002	Excellent	Excellent	N/A
2003	Excellent	Good	N/A
2004			

TENTH GRADE PASSAGE OF ONE OR MORE SUBTESTS OF THE EXIT EXAM

	Our School			High Schools with Students Like Ours		
Percent	2001	2002	2003	2001	2002	2003
Passed all 3 subtests	68.3	90.3	93.1	61.0	64.3	62.8
Passed 2 subtests	20.6	8.6	6.1	20.0	17.7	18.7
Passed 1 subtest	8.7	1.1	0.8	11.4	11.2	10.9
Passed no subtests	2.4	0.0	0.0	7.6	6.8	6.9

PERFORMANCE BY STUDENT GROUPS

	Exit Exam Passage Rate by Spring 2003		Eligibility for LIFE Scholarships*		Graduation Rate	
	n	%	n	%	n	%
All Students	119	97.5	107	10.3	128	83.6
Gender						
Male	63	96.8	54	16.7	68	79.4
Female	56	98.2	53	3.8	60	88.3
Race or Ethnic Group						
African American	22	100.0	19	0.0	24	79.2
Hispanic	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	0	N/A
White	97	96.9	87	12.6	104	83.7
Other	N/A	N/A	1	I/S	0	N/A
Disability Status						
Non-speech disabilities	20	90.0	7	0.0	10	70.0
Students without disabilities	99	99.0	100	11.0	118	84.7
Migrant Status						
Migrant	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	0	N/A
Non-migrant	20	90.0	107	10.3	0	N/A
English Proficiency						
Limited English proficient	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	0	N/A
Non-LEP	119	97.5	107	10.3	128	83.6
Lunch Status						
Subsidized meals	48	100.0	42	0.0	62	67.7
Full-pay meals	70	95.7	65	16.9	66	98.5

n = number of students on which percentage is calculated

ELIGIBILITY FOR LIFE SCHOLARSHIPS

Percent of	Our School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Seniors eligible for LIFE Scholarships at four-year institutions*	10.3	9.1
Seniors who met the SAT requirement	10.3	9.3
Seniors who met the grade point average	53.3	47.1

*Using only the SAT and grade point average requirements

SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	High Schools with Students Like Ours	Median High School
Students (n= 865)				
Retention rate	5.8%	Down from 7.5%	9.5%	7.3%
Attendance rate	96.6%	Down from 97.1%	95.6%	95.5%
Eligible for gifted and talented	13.2%	Down from 13.7%	3.1%	5.1%
With disabilities other than speech	14.7%	Down from 15.1%	12.9%	12.2%
Older than usual for grade	7.3%	No change	10.8%	10.1%
Suspended or expelled	7.1%	Up from 1.8%	2.5%	2.3%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	3.3%	N/A	N/A	10.2%
Successful on AP/IB exams	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Annual dropout rate	0.0%	Down from 2.1%	2.7%	2.7%
Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	19.2%	Down from 19.6%	4.7%	3.2%
Enrollment in career/technology center courses	277	No change	511	433
Students participating in worked-based experiences	42.5%	Up from 21.0%	26.5%	26.3%
Career/technology students mastering core competencies	72.7%	Down from 85.9%	73.7%	74.9%
Career/technology completers placed	N/A	N/A	99.8%	99.5%

Teachers (n= 56)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	55.4%	Up from 52.6%	46.4%	51.7%
Continuing contract teachers	91.1%	Up from 82.5%	81.8%	81.8%
Highly qualified teachers	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Teachers returning from previous year	93.0%	Down from 94.8%	84.2%	85.1%
Teacher attendance rate	94.3%	Down from 94.9%	95.5%	95.8%
Average teacher salary	\$41,162	Up 1.2%	\$39,919	\$40,303
Prof. development days/teacher	17.2 days	Up from 14.7 days	10.0 days	10.3 days

School				
Principal's years at school	9.0	Up from 8.0	4.0	3.0
Student-teacher ratio	24.1 to 1	Up from 22.9 to 1	24.8 to 1	26.2 to 1
Prime instructional time	89.6%	Down from 90.5%	89.9%	90.1%
Dollars spent per pupil*	\$6,816	Down 6.8%	\$6,318	\$6,279
Percent spent on teacher salaries*	55.9%	Up from 52.6%	56.9%	57.8%
Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	No change	Excellent	Excellent
Parents attending conferences	97.5%	Down from 98.7%	92.1%	87.8%
SACS accreditation	yes	N/A	yes	yes

* Prior year audited financial data are reported.

	Our District	State
Highly qualified teachers in low poverty schools	N/A	N/A
Highly qualified teachers in high poverty schools	N/A	N/A

Abbreviations for Missing Data							
N/A	Not Applicable	N/C	Not Collected	N/R	Not Reported	I/S	Insufficient Sample

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

The 2002-2003 school year was an exciting year for Aynor High School. In early spring, we were recognized by the SC Middle Schools Association as a statewide Award of Excellence School. Our SAT team won the AA Lower State Championship for the second year in a row. In March our school was named Palmetto's Finest High School for 2003, the first high school in Horry County to ever receive this recognition. In addition, students earned many individual awards in all areas including two state championship titles in wrestling.

These recognitions are the result of years of preparation and hard work on the part of our faculty, students, and community. While it would be easy to pause and enjoy the fruits of our labors, we realize that the achievements of today will not meet the expectations of tomorrow. Continued implementation of the Education Accountability Act brought the first round of state End of Course tests in Algebra I and field testing of three other End of Course tests. The new High School Assessment (HSAP) is ready for full implementation this year. The new Aynor Middle School opened this year and we became a full member of the International Baccalaureate Program. All of these events remind us of the certainty of change. It is our responsibility to remain on the cutting edge as we prepare our students for success in the future.

We concentrated on providing enrichment activities for our 7th and 8th grade students to increase their performance level on PACT and sharpen their skills beyond the basic requirements so that all may reach the Proficient and Advanced levels of PACT in both ELA and Math. In addition, PACT Science and PACT Social Studies tests were administered, completing the implementation of the core subject area testing program in grades 3-8. This is the last year our school will receive two report cards and we wish our new middle school and its principal, Ms. Sandra Shaver, much success this year and in the future.

We focused on specific strategies for the SC Exit Exam which resulted in over 90% passing all three subtests again last year. This year's 10th graders will take the HSAP as a requirement for a state high school diploma. Our focus on this as well as other assessments will always center on helping every student be successful.

The future is bright for Aynor High School! Ours is a partnership of parents, students, and community members working for the improvement of every student. Thank you for your support as we strive to always be considered PALMETTO'S FINEST!

Darrell W. Ricketts, Principal

EVALUATIONS BY TEACHERS, STUDENTS, AND PARENTS

	Teachers	Students	Parents
Number of surveys returned	49	100	107
Percent satisfied with learning environment	100.0%	96.0%	84.9%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	100.0%	97.0%	74.3%
Percent satisfied with home-school relations	97.9%	97.0%	84.6%

DEFINITIONS OF SCHOOL RATING TERMS

- Excellent - School performance substantially exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal
- Good - School performance exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal
- Average - School performance meets the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal
- Below Average - School is in jeopardy of not meeting the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal
- Unsatisfactory - School performance fails to meet the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal

DEFINITION OF ADEQUATE YEARLY PROGRESS

As required by the United States Department of Education, adequate yearly progress specified that the statewide target is met for all students and for each subgroup of students: racial/ethnic, economic, disability, limited English proficiency and migrant status.